

Regular Session, 2010

ACT No. 626

HOUSE BILL NO. 1269

BY REPRESENTATIVE GIROD JACKSON AND SENATOR DORSEY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1403.1(B), relative to criminal street gangs; to provide with
3 respect to the crime of solicitation of membership in a criminal street gang; to
4 provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 15:1403.1(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1403.1. Solicitation of membership in a criminal street gang; penalty

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9 B.(1) Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be imprisoned,
10 with or without hard labor, for not more than two years, ~~or~~ fined not more than five
11 thousand dollars, or both.

12 (2) Any person over the age of seventeen who violates the provisions of this
13 Section by knowingly soliciting, recruiting, enabling, encouraging, or otherwise
14 causing a child under the age of seventeen to become a member of a criminal street
15 gang, when there is a difference in age of at least three years between the solicitor
16 and the person being solicited, shall be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for
17 not more than four years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or both. Lack of
18 knowledge of the child's age shall not be a defense.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____